# Lean 6-Sigma

Caltrans & Continuous Improvement

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# Lean 6-Sigma Overview

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# WHY Lean 6-Sigma?

- L6S is a methodology, a way to improve processes
- Continuous Improvement
- Finding new and better ways of doing things
- Innovation
- Culture of Sustainability

# Challenge the Process



### **Mission**

"Provide a safe, sustainable, integrated and efficient transportation system to enhance California's economy and livability."



### **Vision & Values**

"A performance-driven, transparent and accountable organization that values its people, resources and partners, and meets new challenges through leadership, innovation and teamwork."



#### **Our Mission**

Provide a safe, sustainable, integrated and efficient transportation system to enhance California's economy and livability.

#### **Safety and Health**

Provide a safe transportation system for workers and users, and promote health through active transportation and reduced pollution in communities.

#### Stewardship and Efficiency

Money counts. Responsibly manage California's transportation-related assets.

#### Sustainability, Livability and Economy

Make long-lasting, smart mobility decisions that improve the environment, support a vibrant economy, and build communities, not sprawl.

#### **System Performance**

Utilize leadership, collaboration and strategic partnerships to develop an integrated transportation system that provides reliable and accessible mobility for travelers.

#### **Organizational Excellence**

Be a national leader in delivering quality service through excellent employee performance, public communication, and accountability.

#### **Our Vision**

A performance-driven, transparent and accountable organization that values its people, resources and partners, and meets new challenges through leadership, innovation and teamwork.

Integrity

Commitment

Teamwork

Innovation

## **Unpacking our Caltrans Vision**

#### Performance Driven

L6S helps us to be Performance Driven, by improving and increasing our performance without additional resources. Also, because it is team-driven, it increases employee engagement, which fuels a performance-driven environment.

# Transparent and Accountable

L6S helps make us Transparent and Accountable, because we document and communicate our processes.

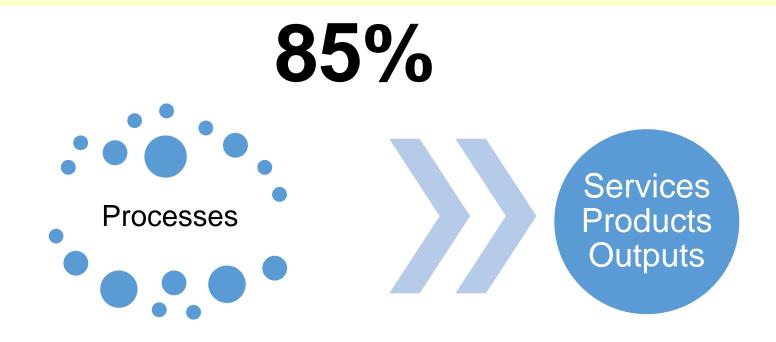
#### Values our People, Resources and Partners

**L6S helps us Value our People** by listening to their ideas and solutions for process improvement. It helps us to value our Resources by eliminating wasteful practices, and to value our partners, because we include them in our process improvements—understanding that our processes impact them and are impacted by them.

Meets new Challenges through Leadership, Innovation & Teamwork

**L6S helps us to meet challenges** because our leadership has adopted L6S and recognizes the power of innovation and teamwork. L6S is an innovation process and it is always done through a team.

## Why Focus on Process?



85% of improvement opportunities are here

Customer Value

## What is Lean 6-Sigma?

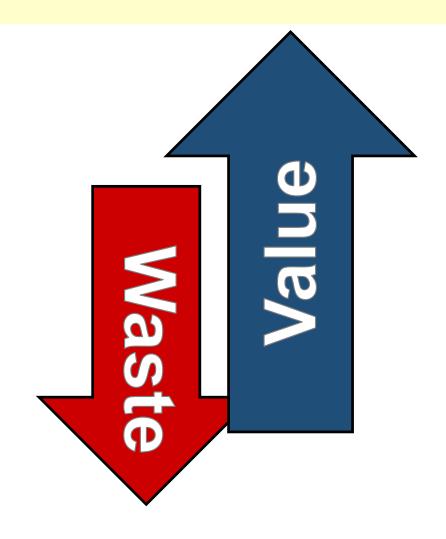
# What Is Lean Six Sigma?



Reduces waste by streamlining a process. Reduces defects by effectively solving problems. LEAN accelerates SIX SICMA; Solving problems and improving processes is faster and more efficient.

### WHAT is Lean?

"A systematic method for the elimination of waste within a system to improve value to customers."



### **Lean and Common Misconceptions**

#### Lean is...

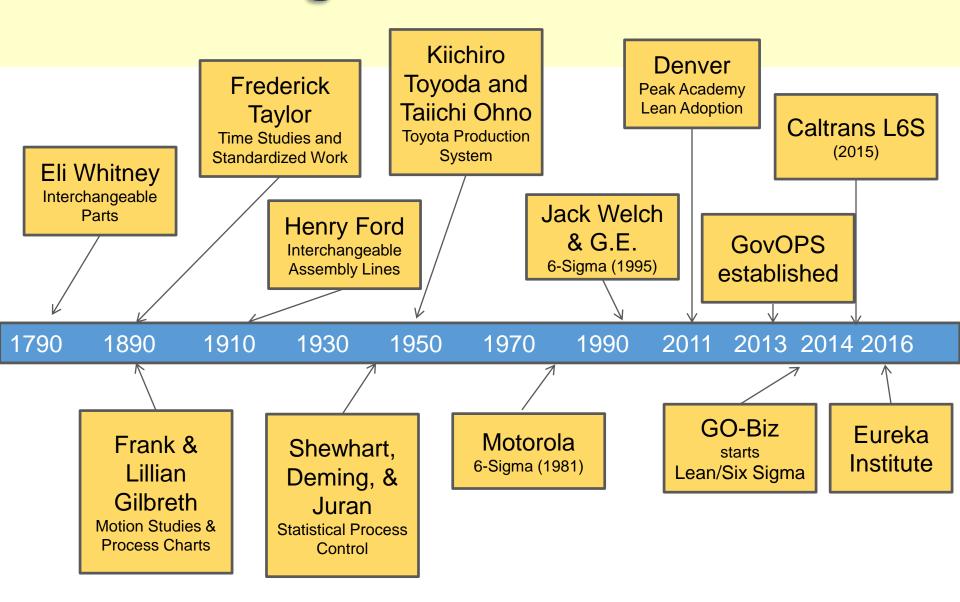
- A time-tested continuous improvement methodology
- Non-proprietary (i.e., free)
- Driven by the people who do the work (not top down)
- An investment in fellow employees
- A set of tools to identify and eliminate waste
- Always delivering value to the customer on demand

### Misconceptions

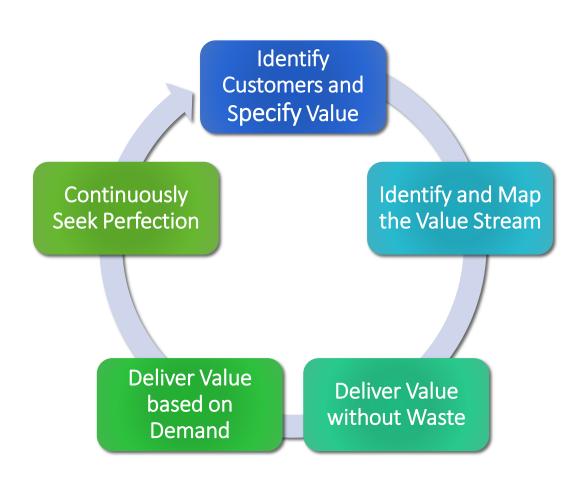
- An acronym (LEAN)
- A solution for personnel and performance issues
- An initiative to reduce staff
- A silver bullet or a quick fix
- A "manufacturing thing"

Lean does not require special expertise.

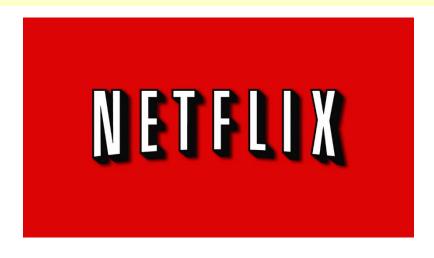
# Lean & 6-Sigma Timeline



## **Five Principles of Lean**



# **Delivering Value on Demand**









### **Lean Tools**

- PDCA Plan, Do, Check, Act
- A3 The Lean Storyboard
- Process Mapping & The Value Stream
- Value Added, Non-Value Added, BN-NVA
- The 8 Wastes
- Spaghetti Mapping
- The 5-S Tool
- Standard Work
- The 5 Why's Root Cause Analysis



TITLE:		Team:		
Date Started:	Current Date:	Executive Sponsor:	Process Owner:	

#### P1 Why Change is Needed

Sample Questions

- · Why are we doing this?
- What is the burning platform?
- · What is the chief complaint?
- What is the impact of this issue?
- · Intent of the action
- Scope Start & end points

#### P4 | Gap Analysis/Assumptions

- What holds us back from the Future State?
- What are the root causes of these road blocks?
- · Use Tools to ID Waste
- Brainstorm

#### P2 | Current State

Describe attributes of the current state:

- Quantitative (Money/Errors/Amounts/Time)
- Qualitative

Graphically present picture of Current State

#### P3 | Future State

Describe attributes of the future state:

- Quantitative
  - Money/Errors/Amounts/Time
  - Are metrics defined and achievable?
- Qualitative

Graphically present picture of Future State

D5	Action	Plan
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Action Item	Assigned To	Date Completed

C6	Results			
	Result	30d	60d	90d
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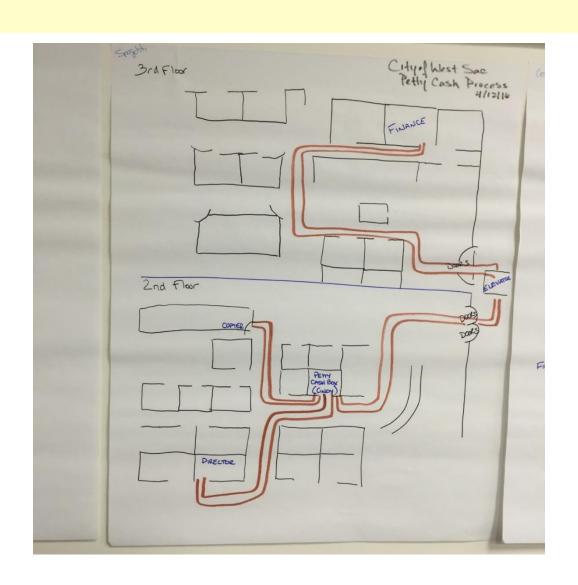
<b>A7</b>	7 Lessons Learned		
V	Vent Well/Helped	What didn't go well/Hindered	

### **Benefits of the A3**

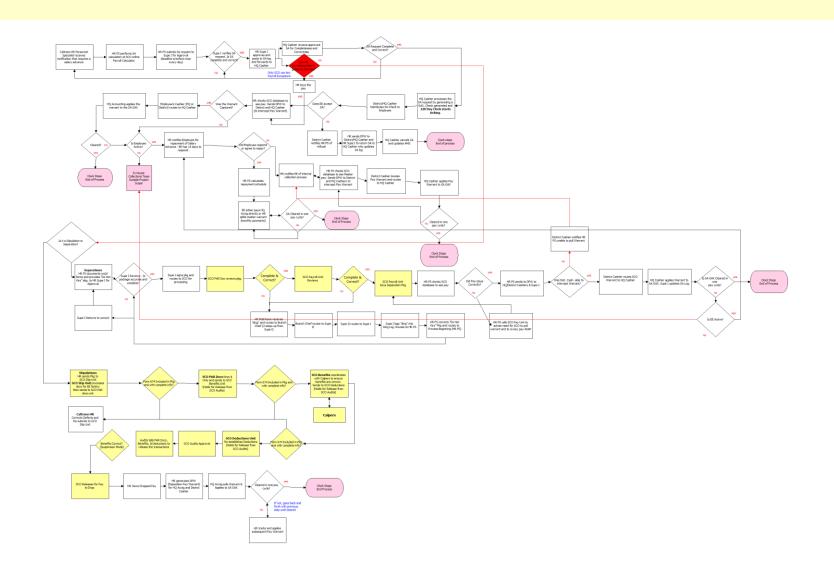
- Aligns to and supports PDCA system
- Creates structure for your innovation projects
- A framework for organization
- Promotes transparency
- A visual charter of work and opportunities
- Communication tool

   Tells the story!

# **Spaghetti Mapping**



# **Process Mapping**



# **Process Mapping**

A process map is a graphic representation of the sequence of actions that comprise a process.

#### **Process Maps are used to:**

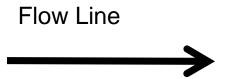
- Document processes
- Analyze and improve on processes
  - Look for value-added and non-value added steps
  - Eliminate waste

#### **General Guiding Rules:**

- Must have a defined scope
- Ensure information is accurate and reflects the work being done

## **How to Process Map - Shapes**

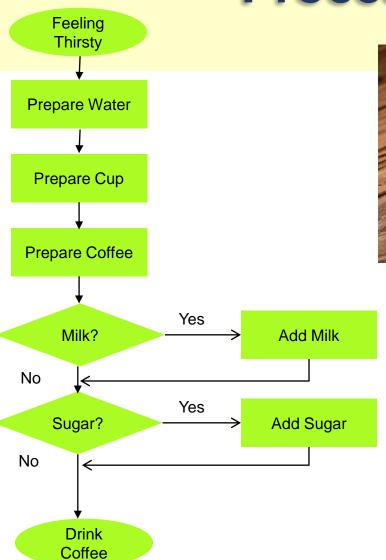






Activity (Process Step)

# **Process Map Example**





# Process Mapping Example with Post-Its



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"If you can't flow it— You don't know it!"

# **Steps for Process Mapping**

- Assemble the Team
- Agree on the scope:
  - Which process are you going to process map?
  - What is the purpose of the process?
  - What are the beginning and ending points?
  - What level of detail should be displayed?
- Start by preparing a narrative outline of steps
- Ask (and encourage) lots of questions

# Is it Truly Value-Added?

### Value Added

Any activity in a process that improves the product or service

#### Value Criteria:

- Transformational
- Deliver what the customer needs or wants
- Done right the first time, without error

Business Necessary NVA

Activities ensuring that value-added activities have been properly completed.

These are activities required by law, regulation, and/or policy.

#### Non-Value Added

Activities that do not contribute to the product or the process and should therefore be eliminated.

Non-value added activities are waste.

# The Wastes

To remember The 8 Wastes, you can use the acronym "DOWNTIME."





#### **DEFECTS**

Efforts caused by rework, scrap, and incorrect information.





#### OVERPRODUCTION

Production that is more than needed or before it is needed.





#### WAITING

Wasted time waiting for the next step in a process.





#### NON-UTILIZED TALENT Underutilizing talents, skills, & knowledge.





#### **TRANSPORTATION**

Unnecessary movements of products & materials.





#### INVENTORY

Excess products and materials not being processed.





#### MOTION

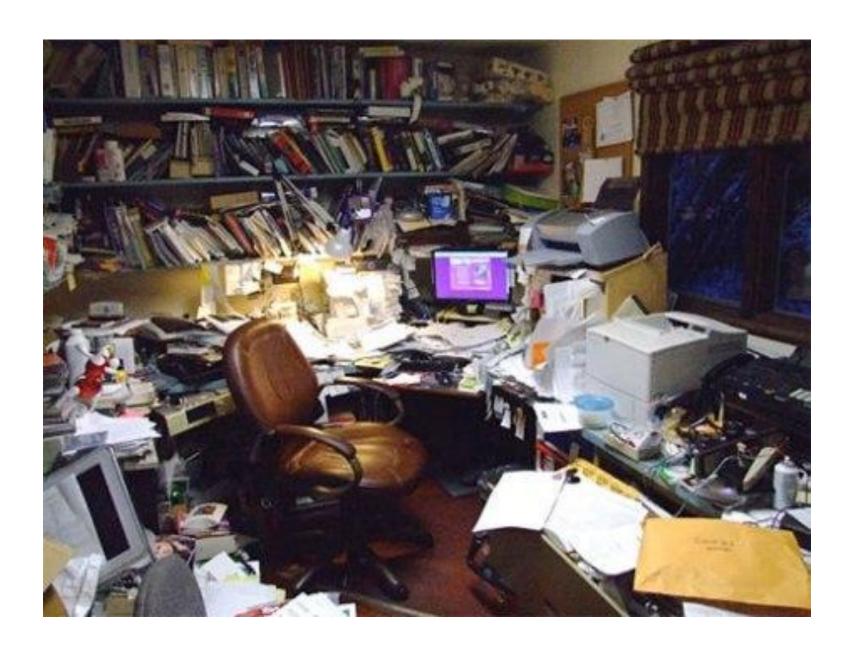
Unnecessary movements by people (e.g., walking).





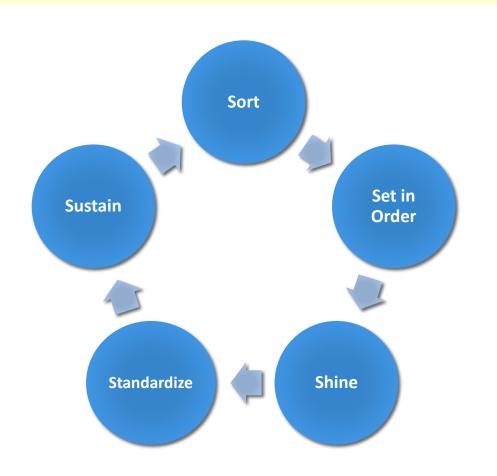
#### **EXTRA-PROCESSING**

More work or higher quality than is required by the customer.





### The 5-S Tool



5-S is a technique to organize and sustain an environment in which:

- Everything has a place,
- is in its place,
- and is ready for use.

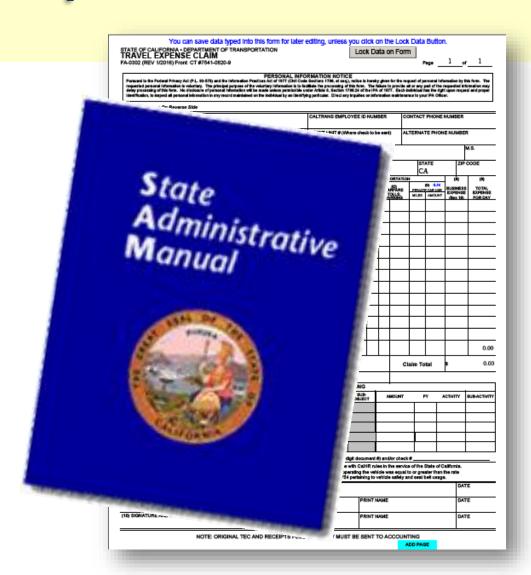
### **Standard Work**

- Standard work is one of the most powerful Lean tools.
- Eliminates defects (waste) by applying best practices consistently.
- Documents current practices that serve as the baseline for further improvements.
- Helps train and guide team members.
- Makes processes sustainable (through EE turnover).
- Are Visual

### **Standard Work Examples**

# Standard Work Includes:

- Job Aids
- Checklists
- Forms
- Policy



# Root Cause Analysis

Before you attempt to "fix" any process, you must understand the root cause for the problem.

We often treat symptoms and not causes—often adding layers of policy or review to a process, rather than addressing the root cause for the defect.

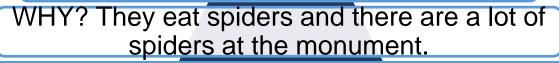


### **Root Cause: The 5 WHY'S**

#### Problem: The Washington Monument is disintegrating.

WHY? Because of the use of harsh chemicals.

WHY? To clean pigeon poop.



WHY? They eat gnats and there are lots of gnats at the monument.

ROOT CAUSE -

WHY? They are attracted to the light at dusk.



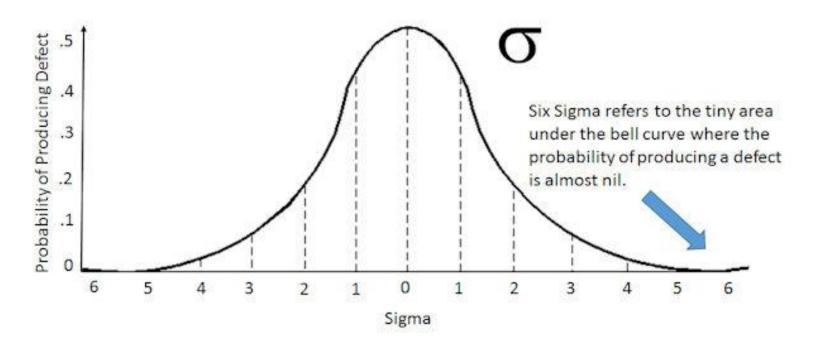
## Lean: Putting it All Together

- Challenge the process by asking "Why?"
- Follow the Principles &Use the Lean tools.
- Find the root causes for your defects and non-value added steps.
- Eliminate the waste.
- Re-map your value stream.
- Implement your changes.
- Monitor and Control
- Sustain (Continuous Improvement)

### Lean 6-Sigma Process

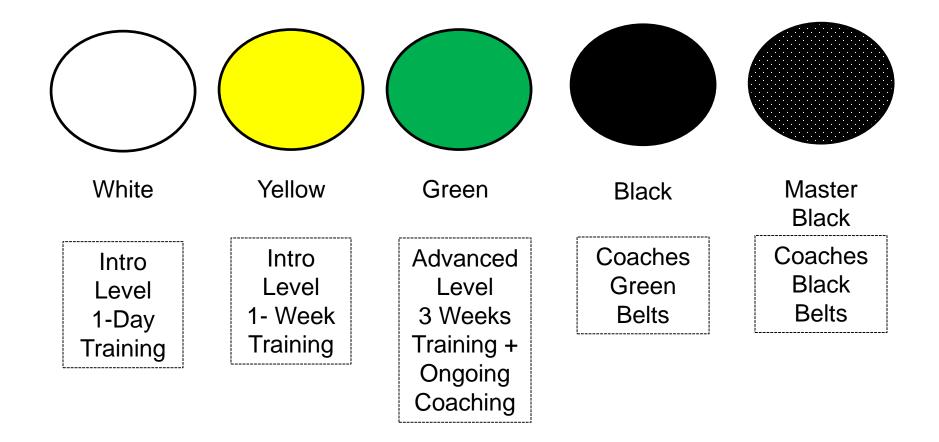
- Uses Lean principles and tools
- Used for more complex processes
- Uses statistical data to inform decisions and to monitor and control process

# What is "6-Sigma"?



6-Sigma - 3.4 DPMO 5-Sigma = 233 DPMO 4-Sigma = 6,210 DPMO 3-Sigma = 55,807 DPMO 2-Sigma = 308,537 DPMO

# 6-Sigma Belts



# **DMAIC: L6S Roadmap**



### **DMAIC: L6S Roadmap**

- Define: Define scope of project, objectives, and metrics
- Measure: Measure current baseline capability, e.g., number of defects
- Analyze: Analyze data for root cause, AKA "critical X's" or inputs
- Improve: Implement your solutions to address the critical X's (root causes)
- Control: Monitor your outputs to ensure you are within "control" limits

### L6S Works!

- Timesheets Process: \$9 M saved One Click Process
- Collision Data Reporting: Now produces 2X reports
- DCIU: Reduced a huge backlog and now on verge of achieving their 45 days or less target
- DOE (Fleet Acquisition) 243 > 59 days
- LDO's Training Calendar: 6 months > 1 month

# L6S Update

- Blair Thompson is the new Chief over the Office that administers the Lean 6-Sigma Program—the Director's Office of Innovation, Risk and Strategic Management (DORISM)
- Our next cohort of L6S projects is at the selection stage.
- Project nominations will yield about 12-15 new Green Belts this cohort
- Strategic Objective is to train 30 new Green Belts in the next two years.



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